

Committee on the Built Environment – March 24, 2010

South Downtown: Two Approaches to Draft Schedule for City Council Review

Approach A: COBE reviews proposal in more detail, over longer time

Activity	Approximate schedule
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Committee on the Built Environment (COBE) meeting discussion for <i>each</i> of about four geographic subareas<ul style="list-style-type: none">* possible subareas include Pioneer Square, Chinatown/International District, Little Saigon, north end of industrial area, Dearborn corridor	April – July
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– COBE meeting discussion for <i>each</i> of about four issue areas<ul style="list-style-type: none">* possible issue areas include incentive zoning and bonuses, economic analysis, transportation and circulation, open space and pedestrian experience, City infrastructure to accommodate growth	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Develop computer graphics to help visualize different height and density scenarios (dependent on funding)	April – July
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Contract for outside, independent assessments (dependent on funding) of key issues such as:<ul style="list-style-type: none">* economic analysis* public space and the pedestrian experience	April – July
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– COBE walking tours (perhaps two)	May – June
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Public hearing	September
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– City Council Briefings Meeting and other time to brief, and address questions from, non-COBE Councilmembers	September – December
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Time for additional public comment on possible amendments (per Growth Management Act (GMA) requirements) – could occur before or after COBE vote	November – January
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– COBE discussion, possible amendment, and vote	December or January
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Full Council discussion and vote	January or February 2011

Approach B: COBE reviews proposal in less detail, over shorter time

Activity	Approximate schedule
– COBE meeting discussion for just a few select geographic subareas and/or issue areas	April – May
– One COBE walking tour	April or May
– Public hearing	Early May
– COBE discussion, possible amendment, and vote	June and July
– Time for additional public comment on possible amendments (per Growth Management Act (GMA) requirements) – could occur before or after COBE vote	August
– City Council Briefings Meeting and other time to brief, and address questions from, non-COBE Councilmembers	August – September
– Full Council discussion and vote	September